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LIGHT BEAM

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Honorable Sir:

A check in the amount of \$880.00 (\$770.00 RCE fee and \$110.00 Extension fee) is enclosed along with a Petition for a one-month extension of time.

This is a submission for a Request for Continued Examination in reply to the Final Office Action dated June 3, 2003 regarding the above-identified patent application. Applicants filed an Amendment and Request for Reconsideration on September 3, 2003. Applicants filed a Notice of Appeal on December 3, 2003. The September 3, 2003 amendments were refused entry in an Advisory Action dated December 31, 2003. In that same Advisory Action the Request for Reconsideration was considered but did not place the application in condition for allowance.

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Enclosed please find amended Figure 1 and new drawings Figures 4 and 5. Also enclosed please find additional information regarding detection of diffraction patterns from a circular aperture, as requested by the Examiner.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: